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DETAILED ACTION

The reply filed on 17 February 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The claims under examination have all been amended such that they no longer read on the elected invention.

Applicant elected Invention 79 (claims 204, 205, and 236-253), directed to methods of growing a new portion of a pre-existing organ comprising administering growth factor to produce muscle, in the response received 01 July 2003. The restriction was acknowledged in the second restriction requirement, mailed 21 August 2003. The current claims correspond most closely to non-elected Group 83 as set forth in the restriction requirement of 02 April 2003. Since there are no longer any claims pending in the application which are directed to the elected invention, the response received 17 February 2004 is held to be non-responsive.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE** (1) **MONTH or THIRTY** (30) **DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Elizabeth C. Kemmerer, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-0874. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Kunz, Ph.D. can be reached on (571) 272-0887. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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